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25	SAP AG, et al.,	Time: 2:00 p.m.
26	Defendants.	Courtroom: E, 15th Floor Judge: Hon. Elizabeth D. Laporte
27		Judge. Hon. Enzavedi D. Lapone
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Plaintiffs Oracle USA, Inc., Oracle International Corporation, Oracle EMEA Limited, and Siebel Systems, Inc. (collectively, "Oracle") and Defendants SAP AG, SAP America, Inc., and TomorrowNow, Inc. (collectively, "Defendants," and with Oracle, the "Parties") submit this Joint Discovery Conference Statement.

The Parties jointly request that the Court schedule at least sixty minutes on November 17, 2009 to discuss the issues noted below. Oracle suggests that the Court schedule ninety minutes and adopt a different structure for this final discovery conference, whereby the Parties would alternate presenting, for five minutes, each issue that a Party submitted to this Statement, followed by five minutes of rebuttal. Oracle believes that this structure would allow each issue to be logically and substantively addressed. Defendants defer entirely to the Court's preference as to how it wishes to conduct this specific conference; however, Defendants have no reason to suggest running this conference in any manner different than that in which the Court has conducted previous discovery conferences.

# 1. <u>Oracle's Issue: Defendants' Last-Minute and Burdensome Discovery Requests</u>

*Oracle's Position*: Oracle requests that the Court impose a reasonable restriction on the amount of discovery Defendants can take in the last days before the discovery cut-off.

Oracle makes this request because Defendants have loaded an impossible amount of discovery into this time period. Oracle believes this discovery violates the spirit, if not the letter, of this Court's observation that "as fact discovery winds down for the second, and it is hoped, last time, the parties should be focusing on streamlining this already very large case for trial." *See* September 17, 2009 Preclusion Order at 19:17-20:5; *see also id.* at 13:22-23 (prohibiting "large new waves of expensive discovery . . . at this late date"). The majority of this discovery Defendants should have pursued long ago, and is improper at this late hour (including a string of Rule 30(b)(6) deposition notices on dozens of topics that date to the allegations in the March 2007 complaint). In total, the discovery served in the last few days to serve discovery includes:

 757 Requests for Admission (primarily relating to copyrightability and statute of limitations facts at issue since Oracle's first complaint),

• 21 requests for individual depositions, and

• Four Rule 30(b)(6) deposition notices. These notices, combined, would require between 7 and 10 witnesses, in addition to the individual notices, each of whom must undertake rigorous preparation and education. Oracle estimates the combined preparation time to exceed 1,000 hours of witness and attorney time.<sup>1</sup>

Like Oracle, Defendants have had over two years to serve and seek most of this discovery. Defendants' argument, below, that they are simply serving the same total amount of discovery as has Oracle is beside the point; the problem is not the volume per se, but the timing. Defendants chose not take their first deposition until a year had elapsed, and further chose not to pursue the topics and individuals they now seek until the last possible moment. In meet and confer, they have responded to this concern by stating that because they have deposition hours left, they are entitled to use them. But the question is not how many discovery devices Defendants have left, but rather which of those requests should be prioritized before the deadline, to which both Parties are subject, while meeting the other obligations set by the case schedule.

Defendants' argument, below, that their barrage of late discovery requests was necessary because Oracle was itself late in adding its Siebel and database claims ignores some important facts. Most of this discovery does not relate to Siebel or database – for example, the RFAs primarily relate to copyrightability and statute of limitations issues, few of the requested individual witnesses have responsibility for Siebel or database, and more than half of the Rule 30(b)(6) notices relate to topics about downloading, financial reports, and the PeopleSoft acquisition and copyrights. Moreover, Oracle did not unreasonably delay in bringing its Siebel and database claims. Oracle asked Defendants to agree to those claims in April 2009, but Defendants delayed agreement as to Siebel (even so, Siebel discovery has been open since early

Defendants argue Oracle should not need as much preparation time because Defendants intend to take short depositions of these witnesses. First, that claim is belied by the detail of the Rule 30(b)(6) notices. Second, while shorter depositions may mean *Defendants* prepare less, it in no way lessens the *witnesses*' need for detailed, complete preparation. Oracle is entitled to prepare its witnesses as thoroughly, and without rushing, as have Defendants.

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summer) and refused entirely to agree to database, forcing Oracle to successfully move to amend. Oracle is therefore not to blame for Defendants' decision to serve this discovery at the final hour.

Witnesses cannot get prepared overnight; indeed, by Oracle's calculation, Defendants have taken, on average, 87 days to present a witness for deposition after Oracle's first request. Defendants now want Oracle to cut that time more than in half, for exponentially more witnesses, in the same time period, while preparing expert reports and responding to 757 RFAs.

In addition, much of this discovery bears little relation to the actual issues in the case. For example, Defendants recently have opened a whole new area of discovery into the allegations between Oracle and PeopleSoft in the 2003 Alameda County state court litigation brought by PeopleSoft in response to Oracle's unsolicited tender offer. As explained in more detail below, Defendants have subpoenaed PeopleSoft's outside counsel seeking proof of "allegations" made by either party (Oracle has stipulated the allegations were made) and, most troubling, have named Oracle's General Counsel, Dorian Daley, as a document custodian because she acted as litigation counsel in that case. Oracle believes this is exactly the kind of discovery expansion the Court warned against in its September 17 Preclusion Order.

What Oracle reasonably can do, it will (subject to its substantive objections, of course) but what can reasonably be done is a marked subset of what Defendants now seek. Additional details of this last-minute and tangential discovery are provided below, and the relevant notices are attached for the Court's perusal. As a compromise on everything except the 2003 Alameda litigation, which Oracle addresses separately and opposes in its entirety, Oracle proposes that the Court allow Defendants seven witnesses for deposition between now and the discovery cut-off, and – within that scope – not require Oracle to respond to more than three Rule 30(b)(6) topics.

#### **Defendants' Recent Rule 30(b)(6) Notices** a.

On October 26 and 30 and November 2, Defendants served four Rule 30(b)(6) deposition notices, on (a) TomorrowNow's downloading activity and Oracle's work product investigation of that activity, (b) the documents used by the Oracle board to value PeopleSoft and Siebel in connection with Oracle's acquisitions of those companies, (c) Oracle's copyrights in its support

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lines of businesses. See Exhibits A, B, C, and D, respectively.

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#### i. TomorrowNow's Downloading

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Defendants' notice on TomorrowNow's downloading activity is in response to a letter Oracle's counsel sent to Defendants' counsel explaining that Oracle had produced all of the underlying materials Defendants need to determine whether their downloads were licensed. See Exhibit E. In response, Defendants served a nine-topic notice addressed to various assertions in Oracle's letter, requiring several witnesses, and covering the entire gamut of the downloading discovery from the inception of the case on March 22, 2007. The notice invades Oracle's work product investigation of that activity and seeks, essentially, to discover all evidence that Oracle intends to put forth on TomorrowNow's unlicensed downloading. See Exhibit A.

material databases, and (d) 200 Oracle financial reports, including information for all of Oracle's

Defendants have known for years about this issue (and do not claim otherwise below). Nearly two years ago, Judge Legge agreed that Oracle could provide a representative to explain to Defendants how to determine whether items downloaded by TomorrowNow on behalf of customers were licensed. Defendants have never asked to meet with that representative. Nor, until this notice on November 2, have they sought further discovery into these topics.

Just as Defendants recently contended (and the Court largely agreed) that Oracle should have to conduct its own analysis from the underlying materials they produced, Oracle has long ago produced the raw materials from which Defendants can perform the necessary analysis to determine the licensing status of the materials TomorrowNow downloaded. This manual process is time-consuming and there are no automated shortcuts, but it can be done if Defendants take the time. Further, although Oracle is willing to explain to Defendants how to do the analysis if Defendants choose this topic but not others to pursue in the remaining time, it cannot describe its own work product investigation, which the notice currently seeks.

#### ii. Valuation of PeopleSoft and Siebel Acquisitions

On October 30, Defendants served a Rule 30(b)(6) notice that, with specific reference to documents produced long ago, seeks information about how Oracle's board valued the PeopleSoft and Siebel acquisitions. See Exhibit B. Defendants actually marked and used several of these

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same documents in the individual depositions of Safra Catz, Oracle's co-President, and Douglas Kehring, Oracle's SVP for Corporate Development – the senior executives uniquely knowledgeable on this subject – but failed to ask about others in their possession at the time. (Defendants contend, below, that Ms. Catz and Mr. Kehring are not the best witnesses – but since they did not ask about the key documents at those depositions, Defendants have no way of making that conclusion.)

Based as they are on documents produced (and questioned about) long ago, these notices are duplicative and, as with Defendants' other notices, could have been served well before now. Defendants are simply seeking testimony from the same Oracle executives on the same topics. They offer no justification for essentially re-opening these depositions to address documents that could have been used the first time, and there is none. *See* Preclusion Order at 18:20-23 (explaining how Defendants' late timing of examination of Oracle executives provided them opportunity to be "well-prepared" and acknowledging how deposition preparation and testimony divert valuable time of top executives). In addition, since Defendants waited until the last minute, these senior executives cannot now make themselves available in the short time remaining, due to their regular obligations running Oracle, the Sun acquisition issues in Europe, the end of Oracle's fiscal quarter, and Thanksgiving holiday constraints. Oracle further notes that the sought testimony is not necessary because, insofar as Oracle's damages expert is relying on the referenced acquisition valuation materials, that reliance will be explained in his upcoming report.

For these reasons, this deposition notice is not one that should be at the front of the line, and if time otherwise permitted Oracle would seek a Protective Order against it.

#### iii. Automated Database

Before filing its Fourth Amended Complaint, and on the advice of the U.S. Copyright Office, Oracle registered copyrights in its support material databases for PeopleSoft/J.D. Edwards and Siebel (the "Automated Databases"). Defendants were aware of the Automated Databases through the Parties' meet and confer on the Fourth Amended Complaint, and Oracle produced them on July 15 and October 20.

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On October 26, Defendants served Rule 30(b)(6) notices relating to the Automated Databases, which seek testimony about what is in the databases, how they were compiled, and how they were registered. *See* Exhibit C. While these topics impinge on Oracle's copyright registration legal strategy, Oracle has told Defendants it is willing to provide a written response to the topics not seeking attorney-client privileged or work product information. Defendants have indicated they will oppose this offer – offering no reason why – but Oracle submits that this is precisely the kind of compromise necessitated by the volume of Defendants' last-minute discovery.

#### iv. Financial Reports

On October 30, Defendants served a Rule 30(b)(6) notice on topics relating to the over-200 financial reports Oracle produced on September 15. *See* Exhibit D. These reports include financial information regarding all of Oracle's lines of businesses and contain data for over 200 accounts. The notice's topics are broad; for example, preparing a witness to describe "the charges that comprise each expense item greater than \$1,000,000" would require researching the charges included in over fifty accounts. Moreover, the majority of the information sought is intercompany information already discussed at length at two extensive prior Rule 30(b)(6) depositions of Oracle (the witness was Ann Kishore). Through this notice, Defendants seek yet another bite at the inter-entity issues, but at this stage in the litigation, such repetition is neither appropriate nor feasible.

As a compromise, Oracle has offered to present two witnesses on November 12 and 20 to attempt to respond to reasonable questions about the relevant contents of the specific reports Defendants have identified; the witnesses will not, however, testify about topics already amply covered by Ms. Kishore. Oracle asks the Court to confirm this compromise proposal.

## b. Defendants' October 23 Individual Deposition Requests

In addition to their last-minute Rule 30(b)(6) notices, on October 23 Defendants indicated they may seek the individual depositions of twenty current or former Oracle employees. (On November 5, they added another name to their individual list for a total of twenty-one.) Few of these witnesses were new to Defendants. Of the twenty-one, seven have already had their

individual knowledge (if any) at those depositions, as Defendants routinely have done. In addition, Defendants had named as custodians, and Oracle had already produced documents for, twelve of the twenty-one (and had told Defendants that two others had no responsive, non-privileged documents). Nine of the twenty-one have been on Oracle's initial disclosures for some months. Of the eleven that were added to Oracle's Initial Disclosures on October 9 and the one added on November 2, five have already had their depositions taken as Rule 30(b)(6) witnesses and another four have been mentioned by name in other Oracle witness depositions. In short, Defendants have known about, and sought and received discovery regarding, *eighteen* of these twenty-one witnesses – in some cases, since the very start of discovery. Defendants therefore cannot legitimately contend that these are newly-discovered witnesses whose depositions could not have been taken long before.

These requests are not reasonable at this stage in the case. When Oracle has asked for

depositions taken as Rule 30(b)(6) witnesses and could have been questioned about their relevant

These requests are not reasonable at this stage in the case. When Oracle has asked for deposition dates, Defendants have taken approximately a month to even provide potential dates – and the depositions themselves take place, on average, nearly another two months after that.<sup>2</sup> Despite taking three months between request and deposition for their own scheduling and preparation, Defendants expect Oracle to be able to prepare for, schedule, and actually present twenty-one witnesses for deposition within five weeks on an already-crammed schedule.<sup>3</sup>

#### c. Summary of Time Required to Prepare for Late Deposition Requests

upon by Oracle's experts, suggesting that they may only take the depositions of those witnesses

upon whom Oracle's experts will rely. However, that request is an inappropriate attempt to pry into Oracle's work product, and, as explained above, Defendants have understood the importance

of the vast majority of these witnesses for many months.

<sup>3</sup> Defendants asked Oracle to explain which, if any, of these witnesses were being relied

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For example, the average elapsed time between Oracle's recent requests for deposition dates and Defendants' responses for witnesses Hadi Arakib, Martin Breuer, John Baugh, Shelley Nelson, Gerd Oswald, Werner Brandt, Julio Guzman, Laura Sweetman, Mark DeLing, Peggy Lanford, Desmond Harris, Eric Osterloh, Carol Geiger, Kim Martinez, and Wanda Jones is 30.6 days. The average elapsed time between the requests for deposition dates and the actual depositions is 85.7 days (note that Mr. Guzman's and Ms. Sweetman's depositions did not go forward).

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To summarize what effort would be required from Oracle to provide all of what
Defendants seek with these multiple Rule 30(b)(6) and individual deposition requests, Oracle
conservatively estimates that, for each Oracle witness, its counsel prepares for forty hours. A
Rule 30(b)(6) witness, on average, spends ten hours meeting with counsel and another fifteen
preparing on his or her own, while an individual witness spends eight and five hours,
respectively. Average preparation for witnesses is therefore 65 hours for a Rule 30(b)(6) witness
and 53 hours for an individual witnesses. The length of the deposition does not affect this
preparation time, as Oracle cannot know what questions Defendants will ask, and so must prepare
its witnesses on all relevant topics. Further, Defendants routinely ask even Rule 30(b)(6)
witnesses as many or more questions outside of the scope of the stated topics than within them.
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above, could be met by seven to ten different Oracle witnesses. Defendants are therefore asking

Oracle assumes, conservatively, that Defendants' four Rule 30(b)(6) notices, outlined above, could be met by seven to ten different Oracle witnesses. Defendants are therefore asking Oracle to undertake at least 1568 hours of deposition preparation (455 for Rule 30(b)(6) witnesses and 1113 for individual witnesses, and not counting the actual hours of deposition themselves) between now and December 4.

Defendants' Position: Oracle's account of Defendants' outstanding discovery requests is partly inaccurate and generally misleading. Oracle fails to mention that the primary reason the Parties are so busy during the final weeks of discovery in this case is not because of Defendants' final fact discovery requests, but instead because Oracle waited until very late in this case to add its claims regarding Siebel and the Oracle database. Oracle and Defendants are currently engaged in substantial "discovery catch-up" on those claims, which could and should have been asserted much earlier in the case. Besides the "catch-up" discovery related to those claims, Defendants final fact discovery requests are simply end of discovery period, "wrap up" fact discovery requests. The volume of these final requests is simply a factor of the over-breadth of Oracle's claims and is not disproportionate to either the volume of discovery that has already been conducted in this case or the damages that Oracle seeks in this case. Oracle also complains that Defendants' final fact discovery overlaps expert discovery, but that is totally a circumstance of Oracle's own making. To get the time extensions Oracle needed to add new claims into this case

well over two years after this lawsuit was filed, Oracle partially traded away its ability to conduct fact discovery and expert discovery in a serial fashion by agreeing to some overlap and conceding that its expert reports would be due before the end of fact discovery. Oracle cannot now use that fact to argue burden in refusing to respond to Defendants' final fact discovery requests.

Oracle's objections regarding Defendants' final fact discovery requests focus on three specific types of discovery: (1) requests for admission; (2) individual deposition notices; and (3) Rule 30(b)(6) deposition notices.

- a. Requests for Admission It is true that Defendants served over seven hundred requests for admission on Oracle on November 2. However, Oracle fails to mention that since September 30, 2009 Oracle has served 566 requests for admission on Defendants (*i.e.*, 279 requests on September 30, 202 requests on October 23 and 85 requests on November 2) and that those requests are *in addition to* 595 requests that Oracle served on Defendants on May 20, 2009. Therefore, although Defendants' November 2 requests for admission are admittedly voluminous, the nature, timing and volume of those requests are consistent with the request for admission discovery Oracle has recently propounded on Defendants. Moreover, nothing in Oracle's statement above suggests either a possible mutual compromise solution or a request for more time to respond to Defendants' requests, on which Defendants would, of course, be willing to meet and confer.
- b. <u>Individual Deposition Notices</u> Oracle's complaint about Defendants' requests for twenty one additional fact depositions fails to mention that: (a) many of the requested deponents have just recently been added to Oracle's Rule 26 disclosures; and (b) Defendants have attempted, in earnest, to meet and confer with Oracle in an effort to reduce the need for many of these depositions. Oracle has refused to provide Defendants with any meaningful information that would permit Defendants to be more selective on this list of twenty-one deponents. Thus, in an effort to avoid being surprised at trial (especially in light of Oracle's recent disclosures), Defendants must be permitted to depose these witnesses. That said, and in an effort to reduce the burdens on everyone, Defendants have agreed to limit these particular depositions to approximately on average two hours each, and to schedule them back to back, as many as three to

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four witnesses a day in order to ensure that they will be complete by December 4. Thus, Oracle's estimate of over 1,100 hours of preparation time is grossly disproportionate to what Defendants have already agreed would be, at most, a total of 42 hours of deposition time.

- 30(b)(6) Deposition Notices Oracle's objections to Defendants' four recent 30(b)(6) notices are likewise unfounded. Defendants remain willing to continue to meet and confer with Oracle to further narrow the requested topics and to determine which topics, if any, may be suitable for a written narrative response in lieu of testimony. The Parties have so far been able to reach similar agreements on other 30(b)(6) deposition notices and Defendants have no reason to believe that the four notices at issue in this discovery statement are any different. Nonetheless, Defendants respond as follows to Oracle's statements on each of the four topics listed in its sections 1(a)(i)-(iv) above, i.e., (i) TomorrowNow's Downloading; (ii) Valuation of PeopleSoft and Siebel Acquisitions; (iii) Automated Database; and (iv) Financial Reports.
- i. TomorrowNow's Downloading - Defendants' November 2, 2009 deposition notice on this issue was in direct response to Oracle's counsel's October 13, 2009 letter suggesting that Oracle has additional information on this topic for which Oracle claims Defendants' have failed to fully discover. Although Defendants have already taken some discovery (e.g., depositions, document requests and written discovery requests) on this issue, given the assertions in Oracle's counsel's October 13 letter that Oracle has additional information yet to be discovered on this issue, Defendants issued a 30(b)(6) deposition notice specifically listing the topics enumerated in that October 13 letter. Thus, there is no merit in Oracle's delay allegations given that Defendants' November 2 deposition notice timely coincides with Oracle's raising of this issue on October 13.
- ii. Valuation of PeopleSoft and Siebel Acquisitions - This deposition topic is narrow in scope. It calls for a witness to explain the underlying assumptions used by Oracle in valuing PeopleSoft and Siebel prior to their acquisition by Oracle. Plaintiffs contend the notice is duplicative because prior witnesses, Safra Catz and Douglas Kehring, are "uniquely knowledgeable on this subject." The testimony does not bear this out. Neither Catz nor Kehring could describe the requested set of assumptions or how they were derived with any degree of

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detail. Because this deposition topic is limited in scope, and in recognition of the impending close of discovery, Defendants remain willing to consider accepting written discovery in lieu of a witness on this issue.

PeopleSoft "automated database" and the J.D. Edwards "automated database" for which Oracle claims copyright protection until October 20. Less than a week later, Defendants served a 30(b)(6) notice relating to all three of the automated database copyright registrations. Until then, Defendants had not received all of the documents and information from Oracle required to evaluate Defendants need for a 30(b)(6) deposition on this topic. Defendants timely requested a corporate representative on this issue and there is no basis whatsoever for Oracle to refuse to provide a witness on this issue.

iv. <u>Financial Reports</u> - After two years of frustrating efforts to get financial information from Plaintiffs, Defendants filed a motion to compel on July 14, 2009, and the Court heard the matter on August 18. By Order dated September 8, the Court granted Defendants' motion, requiring Plaintiffs to produce financial and profitability reports and "to make a witness or witnesses available pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure Rule 30(b)(6) to explain the contents of the reports identified . . ." in the Order. Dkt. 463. Plaintiffs produced these reports on September 15. On September 25, Plaintiffs produced similar reports for Siebel Systems, Inc. and, on October 22, Plaintiffs produced additional profitability reports in response to the Order. To the extent that Oracle complains that this particular 30(b)(6) deposition is occurring late in the fact discovery period, it is wholly a result of its failure to produce the underlying information at an earlier date.

Defendants first served a notice of a deposition concerning these financial reports on October 19. Thereafter, Plaintiffs complained that the notice was too general and requested that Defendants reissue the notice with greater particularity. Defendants complied and on October 30 issued an amended notice setting forth the topics with greater particularity. Plaintiffs now appear to contend that the amended notice seeks too much, rather than too little detail. Regardless, the

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deposition on this issue is already scheduled to commence on November 11 and then set to continue on November 18 and 20. There is no need for the Court's intervention at this time.

# 2. Oracle's Issue: Defendants' Request for Discovery About the 2003 PeopleSoft Acquisition-Related Litigation

*Oracle's Position:* Oracle asks the Court to confirm the limited compromise offered below, and otherwise prevent Defendants from pursuing this line of discovery.

Because of irrelevance, burden, and the amount of relevant discovery required in this action, Judge Legge rejected Defendants' previous attempt to seek discovery about the litigation between Oracle and the DOJ in connection with Oracle's proposed acquisition of PeopleSoft.<sup>4</sup> Nonetheless, Defendants recently resurfaced this topic in a variety of discovery requests related to the companion litigation to the DOJ action – the California litigation brought by PeopleSoft against Oracle in Alameda Superior Court (the "2003 Alameda Action"). Oracle's tender offer for PeopleSoft sparked several related lawsuits, including the antitrust case and the 2003 Alameda Action, which centered on allegations that Oracle's tender offer was not made in good faith (as history proved, it was).

Defendants have served a subpoena on PeopleSoft's then-counsel, Folger & Levin, for its 2003 Alameda Action litigation files, and sought documents from Oracle's General Counsel, Dorian Daley, who at the time served as in-house litigation counsel for that action, former Oracle employee Harry You, who advised Oracle in connection with the acquisition, and now-Chairman Jeff Henley, who at one point during the acquisition efforts was Oracle's CFO. Folger and Oracle have objected to these requests on numerous grounds. Folger's objections – which include an assertion of attorney-client privilege and work product on Oracle's behalf as Folger's client – are attached as Exhibit F, and describe both the 2003 Alameda Action and more detail behind the requests and objections. Oracle objects to this discovery on a variety of grounds:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See February 22, 2008 Report and Recommendations re Discovery Hearing No. 1 (Dkt. No. 66) at 8 ("The subject matter of the two proceedings, the 2004 antitrust proceeding and this downloading case, are different. While some information helpful to this case <u>might</u> be included in the antitrust material, it does not presently justify the burden of searching that information base.") (emphasis in original).

*Irrelevance*. First, as Judge Legge noted when discovery was beginning, the Oracle/PeopleSoft acquisition battle is not sufficiently relevant to the issues in this case to warrant these burdensome requests; this conclusion is even more apt now at the close of discovery.

During meet and confer, when Oracle's counsel asked for the bases for these requests, Defendants' counsel asserted that if Oracle or PeopleSoft had *alleged* the others' actions in the takeover battle were creating fear, uncertainty, and doubt ("FUD") in the PeopleSoft customer base, then that would undermine Oracle's damages claims in this case, because such FUD *could* have caused customers to go to TomorrowNow. In following correspondence, Oracle's counsel responded that the language of the 2003 Alameda Action parties' allegations was undisputed (the complaint and answer are public), and further confirmed that Oracle did not dispute that FUD existed in the marketplace (including from SAP) about how the acquisition might impact the PeopleSoft customer base. (In addition to the public pleadings, which Defendants already possess and to which they referred during the meet and confer and in their November 2, 2009 RFAs, there are also numerous articles and analyst reports on the then-existing FUD and its impact, as well as articles on the impact of SAP's acquisition of TomorrowNow at that critical time.) Defendants and Oracle can certainly make whatever causation arguments are available from those facts. But there is no adequate basis to burden either Folger or Oracle for production of additional, cumulative documents on the 2003 Alameda Action.

Burden. Folger and Oracle have objected to production on burden grounds, including the work required to review an estimated 1500 pleadings, many of which likely contain or attach third party confidential information subject to a separate protective order. As such, this will not be a "very manageable" production, as Defendants speculate below, but instead promises to be a painstaking and complex task. (Consider, by way of comparison, how many lengthy, detailed documents – with how many equally complex exhibits – the Parties to this litigation have filed in about 550 docket items.) The confidentiality of third party information alone was a significant issue in the 2003 Alameda Action, which involved extensive third party discovery. Judge Legge was familiar with this issue, having served as the Special Master to handle third party

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confidentiality issues in the related antitrust case. There is also significant burden related to
attorney/client privilege determinations, particularly since Folger did not maintain separate email
files for privileged and non-privileged communications. (Ms. Daley has already reviewed her
files relating to the 2003 Alameda Action and does not report having kept a significant amount of
material, so the objections as to her designation as a custodian do not include burden on this
ground.)

Oracle's Counter-Proposal: As a compromise, Oracle offered to search the documents of Messrs. You and Henley and produce any non-privileged material on how Oracle valued PeopleSoft, the only justification Defendants could offer for seeking those individuals' documents. This narrowing would significantly reduce the production burden, particularly as to Mr. Henley, who, as Oracle's chairman, would yield a huge amount of documents for review if the entire search term list were used. This is a reasonable compromise, which mirrors other recent narrowing of search and production requests by both Parties to allow relevant discovery to be completed in the remaining time. Defendants offer no legitimate reason to reject it. Oracle asks the Court to confirm this compromise or otherwise provide guidance on a motion to compel or protective order.

Defendants' Position: Defendants seek to compel compliance with a third party subpoena served on PeopleSoft's outside counsel, Folger Levin & Kahn, concerning PeopleSoft's state court action against Oracle (the "2003 Alameda Action"). Defendants served the subpoena on September 22, 2009, two and one-half months before the close of discovery. In light of Oracle's preliminary indications of resistance to the subpoena, Defendants included this issue in the Joint Discovery Conference Statement filed on September 23, 2009. Since that time, Folger has served objections and Oracle has adopted the issue as its own. Also, for context, it is worth noting that the scope of third party discovery Defendants have served in this case is minimal in comparison to that served by Plaintiffs. Plaintiffs have served 141 third party subpoenas, compared to approximately 13 served to date by Defendants. Moreover, Oracle has served discovery on four of Defendants' outside law firms and has served discovery on two of them twice.

The 2003 Alameda Action bears directly upon Oracle's alleged damages and Defendants' assertion that they did not cause those damages. In the 2003 Alameda Action, PeopleSoft alleged that "Oracle launched a scheme designed to destroy PeopleSoft" and "embarked on a campaign of disinformation in an attempt to cripple PeopleSoft's ability to sell its software and to poach its customers." PeopleSoft v. Oracle, etc., Second Amended Complaint, ¶¶ 2, 12. In this litigation, and by substituting the word "poach" for "lure" to describe the same set of customers, Oracle alleges that SAP used TN "to attempt to lure [former PeopleSoft customers] to SAP's applications software platform and away from Oracle's." FAC at ¶ 16. One of Defendants' defenses to this allegation is that TN did not cause customers to leave Oracle, instead, the cause lies elsewhere, including the fear, uncertainty and doubt ("FUD") caused by Oracle's actions during its hostile acquisition of PeopleSoft.

The parties have met and conferred on this issue. Plaintiffs concede that Oracle's own actions toward PeopleSoft created FUD, but contend that SAP "magnified" the FUD. Even if that were the case, Defendants are entitled to information that would enable it to parse out the FUD created by Plaintiffs and the FUD allegedly created by Defendants. This need is not met by Plaintiffs mere agreement that allegations were made. The content of those allegations, and any underlying source documents confirming or substantiating those allegations, is sought in Defendants' subpoena. Whether Plaintiffs "agree" that such allegations were made, therefore, does not address the intent of the subpoena.

Folger would not bear an undue burden in responding to the subpoena. They contend, and Plaintiffs do not argue to the contrary, that only 1,500 pleadings and "a small number of deposition transcripts" are potentially responsive. Whether compared to the production of both parties, or to productions by any of the 141 third parties subpoenaed by Oracle, this is a very manageable production. Moreover, Defendants have offered to bear the reasonable cost of Folger's review and/or to alleviate as much of the burden as possible by offering to review Folger's documents and identify a lesser number of documents to be reviewed and possibly produced by Folger. That offer remains open. Contrary to Plaintiffs' assertion, any confidentiality issues surrounding third party information does not change the analysis. The

Stipulated Protective Order addresses this issue, and its ability to adequately address the issue is confirmed by the productions of third parties subpoenaed by Oracle.

Finally, Defendants note that this issue is narrower than Plaintiffs portray it. It does not include the production of documents for Harry You and Jeff Henley, and it is not informed by a recommendation from Judge Legge to deny a request for discovery into the DOJ's investigation of Oracle. Messrs. You and Henley were added to Defendants' custodian list in response to information learned during another recent deposition. The two custodians were timely added and should be processed accordingly. Although some of their responsive documents may relate to the 2003 Alameda Action, that is the only connection between the two custodians and the subpoena of Folger. Defendants have repeated this distinction in multiple meet and confer communications. Regardless of whether Plaintiffs' acknowledge the distinction, Oracle's obligations to produce You and Henley's documents does not bear upon whether Folger must respond to the subpoena, and vice versa. The proposed compromise, to produce a limited set of documents from these custodians, is not only a non-sequitur, it is inconsistent with the rules of discovery. If Oracle persists in its refusal to cooperate with this subpoena, Defendants' request permission to file a motion to compel.

# 3. Oracle's Issue: Defendants' Request for Ms. Daley's Custodial Production

Oracle asks that the Court preclude Defendants from seeking Ms. Daley's documents, or permit Oracle to file a motion for protective order.

As described above, Defendants seek Ms. Daley's documents as part of their 2003

Alameda Action discovery. They also now contend that they seek Ms. Daley's documents
because of her involvement with the investigation of TomorrowNow leading to Oracle's
complaint. However, as Oracle has explained, Ms. Daley acted only as litigation counsel in that
investigation, so her documents would be almost entirely protected from disclosure by work
product and attorney-client privilege. Defendants speculate, below, that Ms. Daley possesses
nonprivileged, relevant communications with third parties and Oracle employees, but even if that
is true, there could not be more than a handful of such communication that result from a very
laborious review process, and Defendants offer no reason why those documents should matter to

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this case (and take the curious position that they have no obligation to tell Oracle or this Court).)
And, given the months-long investigation Oracle conducted, the burden of this review, and the
resulting logging effort, would be time-consuming and yield almost nothing of non-privileged
relevance. Ms. Daley is unlike other lawyer custodians in the case because she had essentially no
non-litigation role at that time.

Oracle has also objected because of the apparent retaliatory nature of the request, which only came after Oracle sought documents from the SAP in-house counsel who led SAP's acquisition of TomorrowNow. Those lawyers were acting in transactional and business capacities, not as litigation counsel, and appear on non-privileged produced documents related to the business decisions SAP made in acquiring TomorrowNow. The same cannot be said for Ms. Daley. Defendants' counsel appeared to confirm that they had named Ms. Daley to balance the scales, suggesting in a meet and confer call that the Parties could agree to mutual lessening of the privilege log entries related to in-house counsel. Oracle rejected that suggestion, since the SAP in-house counsel productions Oracle seeks are relevant and non-privileged, while Ms. Daley's are not. Oracle therefore asks the Court to preclude Ms. Daley as a custodian on harassment grounds, or to allow Oracle to file a motion for protective order.

Defendants' Position: Oracle has admitted that Dorian Daley has relevant non-privileged documents. Ms. Daley does not operate in a vacuum. For example, to properly perform her duties as in-house counsel, she indisputably has corresponded in a non-privileged manner with third parties and in those portions of her communications with Oracle's employees that are primarily business, rather than legal, in nature. Oracle's only complaint is burden because Ms. Daley is a lawyer and thus the privilege review of her data would take longer than other non-lawyer custodians. To address Oracle's burden concerns, Defendants have offered to discuss and hopefully agree on a mutually applicable arrangement whereby the privilege logging for the Parties' General Counsels would be streamlined. Oracle refused that offer. Moreover, Defendants have asked for far fewer lawyer custodians than Oracle has. Oracle has requested,

and Defendants have agreed to produce, documents for eight of Defendants' lawyers,<sup>5</sup> not including the four of Defendants' outside law firms that Oracle has also subpoenaed. Defendants have requested documents for only five of Oracle's in-house lawyers.<sup>6</sup>

Defendants are not required to disclose to Oracle all of the reasons they have for selecting Dorian Daley as a custodian. It is sufficient to show that she has relevant data, which Oracle admits. Ms. Daley was timely designated as a custodian and has relevant documents that are not exempt from discovery just because she is Oracle's General Counsel. Thus, Dorian Daley's relevant, non-privileged documents should be produced. Defendants remain willing to discuss a mutual agreement whereby the burdens associated with the logging of their respective General Counsel's documents can be reduced.

# 4. <u>Defendants' Issue: Oracle's Inconsistent Designation of the Amount of Its Alleged Damages as Both Confidential and Non-Confidential</u>

Defendants' Position: Oracle has inconsistently designated the portions of its written discovery responses and deposition testimony that contain information regarding the amount of alleged damages Oracle is seeking in this case. Just recently, Oracle agreed to de-designate certain portions of its discovery responses and testimony relating to the amount of its alleged damages that were the subject of Defendants' motion for partial summary judgment heard by Judge Hamilton on October 28. Oracle should not be able to strategically disclose portions of its discovery responses and testimony related to the amount of its alleged damages and yet still keep other portions containing the exact same type of information designated Confidential or Highly Confidential. Oracle's recent de-designation of its alleged damages amounts is a waiver of those

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Plaintiffs have requested documents from (and in four instances deposed, or are currently scheduled to depose) the following eight in-house lawyers currently employed by Defendants: Tom Nolan - TomorrowNow's General Counsel; Michael Junge - SAP General Counsel; Brad Brubaker - SAP Sr. Vice President and General Counsel Global Field Operations; Tim Crean - SAP Chief IP Officer, who has been deposed; Jochen Scholten - SAP Associate General Counsel, who is currently scheduled to be deposed; Chris Faye - SAP Director, IP Transactions, who was deposed as a 30(b)(6) witness; and Scott Trainor – SAP Vice President, who was deposed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> In addition to Ms. Daley, Defendants have only designated four other Oracle in-house lawyers as custodians for whom documents should be produced, Todd Adler, Thomas Angioletti, David Chavez and Michael Poplack.

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other portions of its discovery responses that have the same or similar information. Defendants intend to request further guidance from the Court on this issue at the Discovery Conference.

*Oracle's Position:* This is a non-issue. Oracle allowed certain portions of its Supplemental Initial Disclosures relating to the amount of its alleged damages, previously filed under seal, to be filed publicly in conjunction with Defendants' motion for partial summary judgment in light of Judge Hamilton's Standing Order for Cases Involving Sealed or Confidential Documents, which identifies the escalating standards for sealing documents as a case proceeds through dispositive motion practice and, ultimately, trial, including a "compelling reasons" threshold to seal information contained in dispositive motions and a "most compelling reasons" threshold to seal information at trial. While Defendants offer no specifics about what inconsistent "discovery responses" they are referring to, an agreement to allow the public filing of Oracle's specific damages numbers from its Supplemental Initial Disclosures could not constitute any sort of general waiver under the Stipulated Protective Order. Further, Defendants have repeatedly instructed Oracle to file SAP Confidential and/or Highly Confidential material publicly, while at the same time stating that such a public filing does not constitute a waiver of confidentiality designations. As the litigation continues, Oracle will act consistently with its positions regarding the damages numbers in its Supplemental Initial Disclosures and work with Defendants to resolve any specific concerns they may have. Oracle does not see the need for any guidance from the Court in light of Defendants' unspecific and generalized claims. However, any guidance that Defendants do seek on this issue at the Discovery Conference should apply equally to Defendants' own positions regarding publicly-filed information previously designated Confidential or Highly Confidential under the Stipulated Protective Order.

# 5. Oracle's Issue: The List of 86: TomorrowNow Customers that Also Purchased an SAP Software Application

*Oracle's Position:* Oracle asks that the Court order Defendants to comply with the Parties' agreement on production of documents relating to certain customers.

On November 3 – thirteen days before Oracle's damages expert report is due, a month before the end of discovery, and the day after Oracle could serve any final discovery requests –

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Defendants informed Oracle that they had discovered seven additional TomorrowNow customers that had also purchased an SAP software application. The Parties had previously agreed that Defendants will produce contract and financial data for TomorrowNow customers that purchased SAP software components. The purpose of this discovery was to determine the extent and amount by which SAP turned TomorrowNow customers into SAP customers, regardless of whether through a parent or affiliate. Nonetheless, after belatedly telling Oracle about these seven additional customers, Defendants stated they would *not* add these customers to their official list of TomorrowNow customers that purchased SAP applications (Defendants' "List of 86"). Presumably, Defendants will therefore not produce the corresponding contract or financial information for these customers. Defendants also implied they would not identify any other such customers or produce contract and financial information for them, because "the size and complexity of many of the customers and their numerous affiliates and multiple names" makes it difficult to identify them See Jason McDonell's November 3, 2009 letter, attached as Exhibit G. (Of course, the Parties have previously discussed precisely this issue with the Court, and nonetheless Oracle supplemented its production to the best of its ability given corporate records on September 15, 2009, as ordered.)<sup>8</sup> If Defendants could not determine whether a customer moved to a parent or affiliate's contract with SAP, Defendants should have produced the parent and affiliate information by September 15 instead of unilaterally making the decision to cut off Oracle's knowledge of or discovery into these potential damages.

Since November 2 was the last day to serve written discovery, Oracle cannot now seek discovery for these seven customers or other unidentified customers. Accordingly, Oracle asks the Court to order Defendants to produce contract and financial information for these and any other customers that should properly be on the List of 86. Oracle also reserves its rights with respect to what, if any, relief they may seek regarding Defendants' failures.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> The Parties' November 18, 2008 Expanded Discovery Timeline Agreement defined the relevant group of customers as "those customers involving at least one of the following: (a) all TN customers; (b) Safe Passage deals with TN as a component; or (c) SAP sales to TN customers after acquisition of TN."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> On October 17, Defendants added 3 names to its "List of 83," making it a "List of 86."

Defendants' Position: Oracle misunderstands Defendants' November 3, 2009 letter. As a courtesy, and to be transparent in the discovery process, Defendants notified Oracle of seven TomorrowNow customers who may have migrated to SAP via their parent companies' volume contracts with SAP. Because a reasonable search of centrally maintained information did not confirm that these TomorrowNow customers moved to SAP, Defendants contend that they do not fall within the agreed upon parameters for inclusion on the List of 86, and Defendants do not agree to add them.

As background, the List of 86 is the list of SAP customers for which Defendants' agreed to produce discovery in this case (though Defendants' reserve their rights as to whether any of these customers are ultimately relevant to disgorgement damages). Initially, Oracle sought discovery of all 800-plus "Safe Passage" SAP customers, which included SAP customers who never had a TomorrowNow maintenance agreement. The parties then agreed to limit discovery to the subset of these Safe Passage customers that purchased TomorrowNow service and SAP products/support simultaneously or were existing TomorrowNow customers at the time they purchased new SAP software or service.

Defendants spent a great deal of time and effort determining the List of 86, which proved to be difficult in light of the size and complexity of many of the customers and their numerous affiliates and multiple names. One example involves the type of customers at issue here, *i.e.*, TomorrowNow customers that are subsidiaries of parent companies who are SAP customers. Upon ending TomorrowNow maintenance, one possibility is that such customers moved to SAP software via their parent companies' SAP licenses, rather than directly purchasing software and service from SAP. SAP, however, does not typically maintain records regarding specific locations of software installations per a customer license. Rather, a parent company can purchase a certain number of "seats" from SAP, and then use them anywhere, including at subsidiary companies. Thus, upon ending TomorrowNow maintenance, a subsidiary company may have moved to SAP software via a parent license without SAP documenting this in its records.

Upon becoming aware that these seven TomorrowNow customers may have moved to SAP by using seats available on their parent companies' license, Defendants reviewed SAP's

centralized contract/financial system (the "ISP system") and spoke with SAP account executives. Even after this analysis, however, Defendants could not confirm whether these TomorrowNow customers in fact moved to SAP software via a parent license, or otherwise. All SAP could definitively determine was that these former TomorrowNow customers did not directly license with SAP following the expiration of their TomorrowNow maintenance agreement. The customers themselves presumably can verify whether or not they fall within the agreed upon parameters for the List of 86.

As a practical matter, these customers should be deemed irrelevant and immaterial for all purposes. The fact that the evidence does not show any new purchase of SAP software by these customers as part of the Safe Passage marketing program indicates that they could not be appropriate candidates for disgorgement damages. Even if they did move to SAP software and did so via using seats on their parent company's license, there is no reasonable basis upon which Oracle could prove disgorgement damages for these customers.

# 6. <u>Mutual Issue: The Parties' Potential Discovery Motions</u>

In this section, the Parties set out the issues that they believe may require motion practice. As has been the Parties' practice, though each disagrees with the other's contentions, they do not separately respond to those contentions here.

The last day to file motions to compel is December 11 and, as with the discovery cut-off, Oracle believes it is important for the case to remain on schedule and conform to these deadlines. Accordingly, Oracle suggests that, to the extent that each side raises specific issues in this Statement and the discussion at the Conference itself confirms, each side be permitted to file a 30-page initial omnibus brief on December 11, with any motions related to third parties filed separately on the same day. Oracle believes that, consistent with past practices, any issues not specifically raised in this Statement (see Defendants' sections 6(b)(5) and (6), below) should be ineligible for inclusion in the last round of motions. Defendants suggest the Parties discuss with the Court during the conference the briefing schedule and related numbers of motions and page limits that the Court may deem appropriate.

## a. Oracle's Potential Discovery Motions

## 1. RFAs re TomorrowNow's Business Model

As the Court will recall, the Parties discussed certain of Oracle's RFAs relating to TomorrowNow's business model at the September 30 Discovery Conference, and the Court set a briefing schedule for Oracle's motion to compel if meet and confer were not successful. That schedule called for Oracle's opening brief to be filed on November 11.

Because the Parties' meet and confer is making progress, but will not be concluded by November 11, Oracle determined it would be more efficient to delay filing any motion to compel. Defendants agreed they would not oppose moving the briefing schedule on that basis.

Accordingly, Oracle will not file an opening brief on November 11, and seeks the Court's approval to move the filing date to December 11, should meet and confer prove unsuccessful.

# 2. Privilege Issues Relating to Scott Trainor's Deposition and Documents

Oracle took the deposition of Scott Trainor, former in-house counsel for PeopleSoft and current in-house counsel for SAP, on October 13, 2009, seeking information about how Trainor negotiated contract terms with prospective and current TomorrowNow customers and how he maintained his ethical obligations to PeopleSoft. This information is important to the case because SAP appears to have been using Trainor, who had engaged in privileged communications and analyses regarding the meaning of the PeopleSoft license agreements while at PeopleSoft, to persuade customers that handing over copies of their PeopleSoft software to TomorrowNow did not violate their PeopleSoft license agreements.

During the deposition, two privilege-related issues arose, which Oracle addressed by letter on November 3. *See* Exhibit H. First, when Oracle introduced Exhibit 1683 at the deposition, Defendants clawed it back. Oracle does not believe the clawed-back portions of the document are privileged and requests that the Court order Defendants to explain the basis of the claim. In addition, Oracle believes Defendants have waived any privilege that might otherwise have applied. On August 31, Defendants produced a disc of materials after *re-reviewing* for privilege, stating they "removed the privilege designation on portions of these documents." On that disc was SAP-OR00677727, a document with the exact same content as the document that Oracle

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1	introduced at the Trainor deposition as Exhibit 1683. When Oracle showed SAP-OR00677727 to		
2	Defendants at the deposition to make this point, they clawed it back as well. However, this is not		
3	an instance of an inadvertent production – Defendants engaged in an active and methodical		
4	review of SAP-OR00677727 and told Oracle they had "removed the privilege designation."		
5	Oracle relied on this statement in circulating the document, discussing it, and using it for		
6	deposition preparation. Oracle has accordingly requested that Defendants re-produce the		
7	documents. Oracle requests that it be allowed to move to compel production of the document,		
8	and that the Court review it <i>in camera</i> if the Parties cannot come to an agreement.		
9	In addition, Defendants' counsel made several privilege instructions at Mr. Trainor's		
10	deposition that Oracle believes were unjustified, and that go directly to the issues described above		
11	that make Mr. Trainor an important witness. For example:		
12	Q. Let's turn to page 5 of the document. Under – and this is – actually, if you go back to		
13	page 4, you'll see the title is, paragraph 9, "Indemnity."  A. Yes.		
14	<ul><li>Q. And that goes on for several paragraphs. Do you see that?</li><li>A. I do.</li></ul>		
15	Q. There's a bracket right after the title which begins page 5 of the agreement: We do not have access to the terms of the PeopleSoft license. We therefore need this protection.		
16	Were those your words?  A. I don't know.		
17	Q. Were they SAP or TomorrowNow words? A. I –		
18	MR. McDONELL: Lack of foundation, calls for speculation. Don't disclose privileged information.		
19	THE WITNESS: I can't tell from this redline who said it.  Q. Well, this was a redline that you sent to their outside counsel for purposes of		
20	negotiating the agreement. True?		
21	A. Yes.		
22	<ul><li>Q. Now, is it true that you did not have access to the terms of PeopleSoft licenses?</li><li>A. Yes.</li></ul>		
23	Q. You had worked with them for some time when you worked as an attorney for PeopleSoft. True?		
24	<ul><li>A. True.</li><li>Q. And so did you compartmentalize that – your experience?</li></ul>		
25	MR. McDONELL: Calls for mental impressions of an attorney. I'll instruct you not to answer on work product grounds.		
26	Q. Did you take any steps to avoid relying on your memory of the PeopleSoft licenses in negotiating the terms of these licenses with TomorrowNow customers?		
27	MR. McDONELL: Same objection, same instruction not to answer. (111:12-113:23)		
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In this example, and many others like it on this and other topics, Oracle believes the question did not seek attorney-client privileged communications or work product. Oracle will continue to meet and confer with Defendants on both Exhibit 1683 and the privilege instructions, but asks that the Court permit Oracle to include these issues in a collective motion to compel to be filed on December 11.

## 3. Affirmative Defense-Related Discovery

On November 2, Defendants served a Rule 30(b)(6) notice seeking testimony on topics pertaining to Defendants' downloading activities and the corresponding license rights, as described in Section 1(a)(i), above.

While Section 1(a)(i) identifies Oracle's specific concerns regarding this burdensome request, Defendants' notice also spotlights several of their own discovery responses. Oracle has long sought comprehensive discovery from Defendants pertaining to their affirmative defenses, to which Defendants have regularly objected partially or entirely on a variety of bases, including burdensomeness and attorney-client privilege/work production protection. However, if Defendants are seeking detailed discovery from Oracle on their own downloading and licensing activity, which relates to their affirmative license and other defenses, then Oracle needs corresponding responses from Defendants.

Oracle therefore seeks a briefing schedule on a motion to compel further responses to Interrogatory 4 from Oracle USA's First Set of Interrogatories ("Identify all agreements between Plaintiffs and their customers and/or former customers on which you base the contentions made in Your Answer's Affirmative Defenses, including but not limited to Identifying which terms of those agreements form the basis of Your contention") and Interrogatory 5 from Oracle Corporation's 3rd/2nd Set of Interrogatories ("Describe any effort any Defendant has made to determine whether SAP TN had authority or license to possess, Use, or transfer any Local Environment or Software and Support Material on its computer system as of March 22, 2007"), as well as confirmation from Defendants that they have produced all documents responsive to RFPs 86 and 88 (asking for all documents relating to affirmative defenses). While Oracle will be

meeting and conferring with Defendants regarding this issue, Oracle asks that this issue be considered on a December 11 briefing schedule in the event a resolution cannot be reached.

# 4. Motion to Compel Production of Documents by Finnegan and Fenwick

Oracle served identical subpoenas on Fenwick & West LLP (on July 7, 2009) and Finnegan Henderson Farabow Garrett & Dunner LLP (on October 7, 2009), two law firms that represented SAP during its acquisition of TomorrowNow, to learn what SAP learned about TomorrowNow's illegal business model during due diligence. The subpoenas therefore requested documents concerning SAP's due diligence, including relating to Board of Directors meetings discussing the acquisition, e-mails, and documents reflecting the quantity of time billed for this due diligence. Meet and confer, which included Defendants' counsel, was unsuccessful and both firms served objections to the subpoenas and refused to produce any documents, claiming they seek irrelevant information that is duplicative of subpoenas served by Oracle in January 2008. Oracle has requested additional information from both Fenwick and Finnegan concerning the basis for their objections. On November 4, Fenwick indicated that it would respond to Oracle's request in "due course." On November 10, Oracle received a response from Finnegan, in which Finnegan did not describe in any detail how a search for the requested information would be cumulative of its prior production, other than it purportedly would involve the "same steps" as before.

The subpoenas seek relevant information. The time, if any, SAP invested in due diligence, and documents and communications concerning that due diligence, directly relate to SAP's knowledge of TomorrowNow's infringement and other misuse of Oracle's intellectual property. The subpoenas seek materials from the law firms that will help answer these issues. Nor are these subpoenas duplicative of the January 2008 subpoenas, which requested communications between SAP, a third party, or a government agency relating to TomorrowNow's agreement to be acquired by SAP. In response to the January 2008 subpoena, Finnegan produced federal filings, letters, and a presentation, all of which authored either by Oracle or by a company later acquired by Oracle. Finnegan produced no relevant email communications, which indicates it may not have

used relevant search terms. Fenwick, in turn, produced one email chain initiated by Seth Ravin and TomorrowNow template contracts in response to the January 2008 subpoena. In contrast, the 2009 subpoenas seek documents relating to SAP's due diligence for the acquisition, which the January 2008 subpoenas did not seek and Fenwick and Finnegan have not produced. Responding to the 2009 subpoenas would therefore not duplicate the firms' prior searches or responses.

Defendants, Finnegan, and Fenwick all contend that Oracle should have included its 2009 document requests in its January 2008 subpoenas. But Finnegan and Fenwick have made no showing as to how, if at all, a search for the requested information would duplicate their efforts made in response to the January 2008 subpoenas. Further, as of February 19, 2008 (approximately two months after Oracle had drafted and served the early January 2008 subpoenas), neither SAP AG nor SAP America had produced any documents in response to Oracle's requests for production. Thus – having not yet had the chance to review SAP's documents before drafting the January 2008 subpoenas – Oracle did not have any basis to include the categories of documents it later requested in the 2009 subpoenas.

As the parties have reached an impasse, Oracle requests permission to file a motion to compel on December 11.

# **b.** Defendants' Potential Discovery Motions

#### 1. Oracle's Unjustifiable Delay in Producing 30(b)(6) Documents

Oracle presented a 30(b)(6) witness, Jason Kees, for deposition beginning at 10:00 a.m. on October 15, 2009 relating to Oracle's allegations of harm to its computers related to the Siebel product line. At 4:30 p.m. on the day before the deposition, Oracle produced a hard drive with approximately 26.5 GB of historical log files relating to Siebel's customer support website. The log files that Oracle produced on October 14 were collected by the witness sometime in mid to late 2008, well after this litigation began and approximately a year before the deposition.

Although Defendants' counsel did not have sufficient time to review, much less analyze, the enormous volume of data produced literally the night before the deposition, Defendants used the readily available information regarding the contents on the hard drive during the deposition to at least question the witness regarding the origin and general type of information contained in the

log files. That questioning revealed other documents relating to this corporate representative

produced a few of those documents during the deposition, and again, Defendants' counsel did the

best they could on the fly with those documents during the deposition. On November 3, 2009

Oracle produced several Excel spreadsheets, which appear to be an analysis of at least some of

3 production, include but are not necessarily limited to the facts that: (a) the metadata for the

excel files indicate that they were created on September 23, 2009 by Uwe Kohler, who was

deposition; and (c) Oracle's production of these files on November 3 was one day after the

deadline for the Parties to serve their final written fact discovery requests. Defendants will

continue to meet and confer with Oracle on this issue, but if an appropriate remedy for the

unjustifiable delays in Oracle's production of these materials is not reached by agreement of the

Oracle's 30(b)(6) witness on "harm to computers" for the PeopleSoft and J.D. Edwards product

lines; (b) the production apparently could and should have occurred well before Kees' October 15

the historical log files Oracle produced on October 14. The concerning aspects of this November

witness's testimony that had also not yet been produced to Defendants. Oracle's counsel

2. Unresolved Deposition Requests

Parties, then Defendants intend to seek appropriate relief from the Court.

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In response to the Stipulated Revised Case Management and Pretrial Order, Defendants' requested Rule 30(b)(6) depositions for Siebel to cover the same topics that Oracle provided PeopleSoft and JD Edwards witnesses. A chart was sent to Oracle on June 23, 2009 identifying the specific topics. Plaintiffs produced witnesses for some topics and Defendants withdrew their request for a witness on others, and Defendants have been willing to compromise and accept written discovery in lieu of a deposition for the rest. Although the meet and confer process is ongoing on the specifics necessary for Oracle to satisfy Defendants' requested 30(b)(6) topics for Siebel, the progress on those meet and confer discussions has not been satisfactory. If substantial additional progress is not made before the Discovery Conference, then Court intervention on this issue will likely be necessary.

3. Impermissible, Repetitive Discovery of Fenwick and Finnegan

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Defendants object to Oracle's request for permission to move to compel on its July and October 2009 subpoenas to SAP's outside law firms, Fenwick & West LLP ("Fenwick") and Finnegan Henderson Farabow Garrett & Dunner LLP ("Finnegan"). Oracle subpoenaed both firms in January 2008 and they produced responsive documents. Oracle's 2009 subpoenas cover the same subject matter, *i.e.*, SAP's due diligence in connection with the acquisition of TN. *Compare*, *e.g.*, Exhibits I (2008 subpoena to Fenwick) and J (2009 subpoena to Fenwick). Responding to these repetitive 2009 subpoenas would require both firms to re-review the same data they reviewed first time around. There is no reason to impose that additional burden and cost on Defendants or their law firms.

Oracle denies that the subpoenas are duplicative; however, the only difference is that the 2008 subpoenas were limited to communications between SAP and TN, or with a third party, regarding the due diligence, while the second set also includes internal communications regarding the due diligence and a request for the firms' invoices and billing records related to the due diligence. However, Oracle's counsel indicated during meet and confer on the January 2008 subpoenas that Oracle intentionally limited those subpoenas to external communications to avoid privilege concerns. Thus, if Oracle really believes that any non-duplicative portions of the 2009 subpoenas at issue seek relevant non-privileged information, then there is no justification for Oracle to have omitted that request from the January 2008 subpoenas. Moreover, even if this Court were inclined to give Oracle "two bites at the apple" on these two third party discovery requests, the additional burden and cost of a duplicative round of subpoenas and a duplicative review of the data outweighs the potential benefit of the requested discovery, particularly since the vast majority, if not all, internal communications Oracle is now focusing on are likely privileged, which Oracle has admitted was why this request was not included in the 2008 subpoenas. Oracle's stated concerns about the sufficiency of the first productions are not credible almost two years after those productions and do not now warrant a new round of subpoenas. Both Fenwick and Finnegan have directly addressed these concerns in meet and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Oracle subpoenaed two other law firms involved in SAP's acquisition of TN in January 2008 as well. Those firms also have produced responsive documents.

# confer correspondence. For example, in response to Oracle's concern that Finnegan produced no responsive emails, perhaps indicating that emails were not searched, Finnegan has pointed Oracle to the email communications on the privilege log that accompanied its production in response to the first subpoena. If Oracle persists in its efforts to seek this discovery, then Defendants and/or Fenwick and Finnegan will seek permission to move for protection from Oracle's recent subpoenas.

# 4. Pre-2005 Damages Related Discovery

Shortly after the last discovery conference Defendants provided Oracle with a list of the names of the "legacy" customers for which Oracle has produced insufficient damages related information, a list of the contract numbers at issue, and a description of the categories of information Defendants contend are missing. On November 4 and 6, Oracle produced additional data for these customers, which Defendants have not yet had sufficient time to analyze. Oracle has represented that it is continuing to search for additional responsive information and will complete its production by December 4. Should Oracle's production fail to address Defendants' concerns, then Defendants reserve their rights with respect to what, if any, relief they may seek regarding such failure.

## 5. Other Potential Motions on Existing Discovery Responses

Defendants continue to review Oracle's document production and written discovery responses and plan to keep doing so through the close of fact discovery as supplemental productions and responses are provided by Oracle. In addition, Defendants continue to meet and confer with Oracle regarding a variety of discovery issues that remain to be resolved. These include, for example, apparent gaps in Oracle's document production, proposed designations of deposition testimony as Rule 30(b)(6) testimony in lieu of additional depositions, proposed written responses to discovery in lieu of deposition testimony on certain topics, and deposition scheduling issues. Defendants are optimistic that the parties will resolve these issues without the need for motion practice. However, Defendants intend to discuss with the Court during the Discovery Conference how best to resolve any disputed issues relating to existing discovery responses and any supplements thereto that may remain at the close of fact discovery.

# **6.** Other Potential Motions on Future Discovery Responses

Given that Oracle has yet to respond to Defendants' final fact discovery, it is at least conceivable that Defendants' could have some issues with the adequacy of Oracle's responses to those requests. Thus, Defendants intend to discuss with the Court during the Discovery Conference how best to resolve any disputed issues relating to expected future discovery responses that do not yet exist but that may arise between now and the close of fact discovery.

# 7. Oracle's Issue: Relief from Protective Order with Regard to European Litigation

*Oracle's Position:* Oracle asks the Court to grant a limited amendment to the Protective Order to permit materials produced in this litigation to be used in any related European proceeding.

Last year, Judge Hamilton granted Defendants' motion to dismiss in part, stating that then-plaintiff J.D. Edwards Europe had no rights that could give rise to a claim of copyright infringement under the U.S. Copyright Act and that "the only infringement that could have occurred as to [J.D. Edwards Europe] would be infringement of its right to distribute extraterritorially." Order on Motion to Dismiss (Docket Item 224) at 6.

To recover for the harm done by Defendants to J.D. Edwards Europe, therefore, Oracle is investigating whether it can bring those claims in Europe. Evidence needed to assert and prove these claims has been produced in this case, as the allegations underlying those claims were part of the case for over a year. However, the current Protective Order does not permit Oracle to use Defendants' Confidential or Highly Confidential material for any purposes outside this particular litigation. To maximize efficiency and resources, and to avoid unfairness to Oracle stemming from the ruling on the Motion to Dismiss, which came after discovery into the facts underlying Oracle's allegations was already well underway, Oracle seeks an amendment to the Protective Order to permit material produced by Defendants in this case to be used in any related European

Defendants have improperly over-designated many of the materials relevant to the European litigation, including designating publicly-available marketing materials as Confidential or Highly Confidential (about which Oracle sent a de-designation request on November 2, to which Defendants have not responded).

proceeding. Since that suit will likely involve the same parties or their affiliates, there is no prejudice to any party. To the contrary, this modification will save everyone time and resources. Moreover, as the Court is aware, TomorrowNow has been out of business since October 31, 2008, and so its documents no longer raise the same confidentiality concerns.

On November 6, Oracle asked Defendants to stipulate to this request, and Defendants declined. Defendants offer no reason other than rhetoric as to why this Court cannot decide this issue now. This Court does have jurisdiction over the Protective Order and can amend it when appropriate – as shown by Defendants' insistence, and Oracle's agreement, to amend the Protective Order to permit Defendants' insurers access to Oracle's confidential materials. The Parties came to that agreement to permit the efficient and fair dissemination and use of material produced in this litigation – exactly as Oracle proposes now. Since Judge Hamilton instructed Oracle to take this claim elsewhere, it would be inconsistent with the search for truth for Oracle to be prevented from using the relevant evidence it has.

Oracle therefore requests that the Court order the Protective Order modified to state that the Parties may use any materials in the record from this case in any related European proceeding, or, at minimum, that TomorrowNow's documents and materials may be used in any such proceeding.

Defendants' Position: Oracle's request on this issue has no relevance to any existing claim or defense in this case or any issue that this Court is required to resolve between now and the trial of this case. There are plenty of other issues worthy of this Court's time and attention (for example, as noted elsewhere in this Discovery Statement), but this is not one of them. The Parties negotiated the terms of the Stipulated Protective Order, and both had very legitimate reasons to agree to keep Confidential or Highly Confidential material produced in this case from being used for any purposes outside this particular litigation. Oracle cannot rewrite that bi-lateral agreement simply because it now wants to sue Defendants in another forum. And it is not proper for Oracle to ask this Court to re-write the Parties' Agreement on this particular portion of the Stipulated Protective Order, especially when the contemplated litigation that serves as the basis for Oracle's requested amendment is, by definition, outside the jurisdiction of this Court.

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Changing the Stipulated Protective Order in the way Oracle requests could interfere with the rights of courts in other, sovereign jurisdictions to manage litigation matters consistent with the rules of that jurisdiction. As this Court is aware, the scope of and rules relating to discovery differ across the world, and, while Oracle has not identified what jurisdiction may be at issue, it is likely that discovery process and scope are different in Oracle's contemplated European forum than in this action. If any court should rule on whether Oracle is permitted to use Confidential or Highly Confidential material produced in this case in another case involving Oracle and Defendants, then it is the court in that case, which (if the case were brought in a proper venue) would presumably have jurisdiction over the parties to make whatever discovery orders it deemed are consistent with the rules in that forum.

Also, in presenting this issue, Oracle misstates the facts. The claims of J.D. Edwards Europe ("JDEE") were only in the case for so long as it took for Defendants to move, and the Court to grant, their dismissal, the timing of which is entirely Oracle's responsibility. JDEE was first named as a plaintiff entity in October 2008, when Plaintiffs filed their Third Amended Complaint. Plaintiffs did so allegedly to correct "technical" issues with the entities named as Plaintiffs, not coincidentally immediately after Defendants told Plaintiffs that they would move to dismiss the Second Amended Complaint and shortly after Plaintiffs belatedly produced intracompany agreements (then more than a year after the original complaint was filed). Defendants promptly moved to dismiss JDEE's limited claims (the right to distribute certain allegedly copyrighted materials, only in Europe, the Middle East and Africa) and the Court granted that motion in December 2008. Only now, almost a year after that dismissal, and almost three years after the original complaint in this action was filed, do Plaintiffs say they wish to pursue an ex-U.S. action to pursue ex-U.S. rights. Whatever ex-U.S. court will ultimately preside over this prospective litigation should decide how to manage that action if and when it is filed, not this Court. Any prejudice Oracle has suffered by delaying its action for years is entirely of Oracle's own doing and does not justify this Court rewriting the parties' agreement on this issue or preadjudicating any discovery issues in Oracle's threatened, but yet-to-be-filed litigation in Europe.

## 8. Oracle's Issue: Pleasanton Data Center

Oracle's Position: At the last Discovery Conference, the Parties discussed with the Court Oracle's need to shut down its Pleasanton Data Center, which houses the Customer Connection servers. Oracle has been proceeding with its careful and reasonable measures to preserve the data on the affected servers, including taking forensic images of all machines where possible, and taking additional or other forms of backup where possible.

Defendants did not request any access to Customer Connection, or any related information from Oracle, until Friday, November 6 (more than a month after the Court suggested they do so at the September 30 Discovery Conference), when they sought access to Customer Connection on November 17 through 20. The delay in making this request jeopardizes Oracle's preservation activities and makes it much harder to accommodate. However, Oracle is working to ascertain its ability to comply with this request, and will do its best to do so, with the understand that providing such access may impede Oracle's existing preservation efforts.

Defendants' Position: Prior to the previous discovery conference, Oracle's counsel sent Defendants' counsel a letter indicating that Customer Connection would be available at least through November 30, 2009. Defendants counsel informed both the Court and Oracle at the last discovery conference that Defendants intended to take Oracle up on its offer to review Customer Connection before Oracle dismantles it at the end of this month. Defendants gave Oracle almost two weeks advance notice of the specific dates it seeks access. The dates Defendants have requested are November 17 through 20, which are the first four days after Defendants will have access to Plaintiffs' expert reports, which Defendants told Oracle it needed for any subsequent review of Customer Connection to be efficient. Oracle has not indicated that it does not intend to honor Defendants' request. Unless or until Oracle refuses Defendants' request, there is nothing for this Court to decide on this issue.

## 8. Oracle's Issue: Document Production from Non-Party Jeff Buerhle

as a waiver of any of Defendants' objections and related positions regarding Oracle's unilateral decision to decommission and disassemble Customer Connection, which include, but are not

limited to, Defendants' objections and related positions on this issue that are contained in the

September 23, 2009 Joint Discovery Conference Statement at 12:13-13:6.

Defendants' request for access to Customer Connection should in no way be construed

Oracle's Position: On October 17, 2009, Oracle served a subpoena for documents and testimony issued from the Northern District of Alabama on Jeff Buehrle of Summit Technologies, who Oracle believes worked with TomorrowNow on technical and support issues as a contractor between 2006 and 2008. Previously, on October 14, Oracle had served Federal Rule 45 notice of this subpoena on Defendants. The subpoena called for production of documents on November 2 and all parties agreed to a deposition date of November 20. On November 10, a week after documents were due for production, and just 10 days before deposition, Defendants contacted Oracle to state for the first time that they had been in touch with counsel for Mr. Buehrle and wished to review the production before it is produced to Oracle because of alleged privilege concerns. Counsel for Mr. Buehrle estimates there may be approximately 40,000 pages of responsive documents.

Attempting to stall the production in this way is inappropriate. However, in the interest of cooperation and avoiding the cost of a motion in the Northern District of Alabama, Oracle has agreed to allow Defendants to review the documents and log any withheld material before production to Oracle as long as the documents are produced to Oracle by 9 a.m. on Friday, November 13. Oracle needs at least that much time (and likely much more) to review this volume of material in advance of the deposition. Oracle informs the Court to keep it apprised of the situation and to state that Oracle has reserved all rights with respect to this issue, and will further update and/or seek relief from the Court as appropriate.

Defendants' Position: Buerhle's and Summit's consulting work for TomorrowNow necessarily exposed them to some of TomorrowNow's privileged information. Defendants simply seek to preserve any applicable privileges that may relate to certain of the documents that may be produced by Mr. Buerhle and/or Summit. Defendants and Oracle have had an ongoing dialogue for some time regarding this particular issue. Defendants are currently working with Oracle's and Summit's counsel to streamline the process to ensure TomorrowNow's privileged material is protected, while still expediting the production of these documents in sufficient time for Oracle to review them before the scheduled deposition. After Defendants learned that Mr. Buehrle and Summit had documents responsive to Oracle's subpoeana, Defendants began efforts

to work with Summit's and Oracle's counsel to find the most effective and efficient way to conduct the requested privilege review in light of the time constraints on all parties. For example, Defendants, at their own expense, have offered to process (i.e., convert the data to a format that is usable for all parties' litigation data review databases) Buerle's and Summit's data, while at the same time running electronic privilege searches while that processing is taking place.

Defendants' agreement to pay for the data processing will save Oracle that expense, while at the same time permitting Defendants to quickly do a privilege review of this data. The volume of the data will not allow the Defendants to do a manual page-by-page review, so Defendants have simply requested the opportunity to do a quick electronic privilege search through the data and an agreement by Oracle that there may be a need for a special clawback protocol for this production. Defendants currently do not know exactly when Summit intends to produce the data, thus Defendants cannot yet commit to the November 13 deadline suggested by Oracle. Regardless, Defendants have made clear to Oracle that Defendants are willing to work under extreme time constraints in completing the electronic privilege review, and that Defendants will continue to work with Oracle in an effort to arrive at a mutually agreeable resolution of this issue.

# 9. <u>Oracle's Issue: Supervisory Board Documents</u>

*Oracle's Position*: Oracle asks that the Court order Defendants to further supplement the declarations they provided to explain the missing Supervisory Board documents.

At the August 25 and September 30 Discovery Conferences, the Parties discussed with the Court the discrepancy between the deposition testimony of Hasso Plattner, Chairman of the SAP AG Supervisory Board, and Defendants' document production. Mr. Plattner testified about a Supervisory Board meeting at which TomorrowNow was discussed, but for which Defendants have not produced minutes; he also described a one-page TomorrowNow report that was presented at that meeting, also not in Defendants' production. Defendants have maintained they cannot find these documents, but when reviewing his deposition transcript, Mr. Plattner did not change his testimony, and Defendants have been unable to explain that discrepancy in meet and confer.

Oracle requested that Defendants be required to conduct a more exhaustive search that included consultation with Mr. Plattner and to provide a certified explanation of the discrepancy, including why Defendants are unable to produce documents their Chairman has said existed and that he reviewed and believed were still available. Oracle's recollection is that the Court agreed at the August 25 Discovery Conference that Defendants should provide a more detailed, certified description of their search, including by consulting directly with Mr. Plattner. (The Court has not issued an Order from that Conference.) At the September 30 Discovery Conference, the Court ordered Defendants to provide the information by October 7.

On October 7, Defendants provided declarations from Mr. Plattner, Michael Junge, SAP AG's General Counsel, and Nicole Perry of Jones Day, attached as Exhibits K, L, and M, respectively. Oracle believes these declarations, however, do not provide enough information.

First, Mr. Plattner's declaration refers only to his testimony about the presentation of the TomorrowNow acquisition to the Supervisory Board. But he testified both that meeting minutes should exist, and that he remembered a one-page document discussing the TN acquisition. *See* Deposition of Hasso Plattner at 11:23 to 13:7; 13:17-23; 22:13 to 23:8; 73:2 to 74:3; and 75:23 to 76:9, attached as Exhibit N. Mr. Plattner also does not describe any personal investigation into his own files, which Oracle expected to be included. Nor does he describe the call about the presentation that Mr. Junge describes (see below); since Oracle's recollection is that the Court instructed Defendants to consult Mr. Plattner about these documents, Oracle does not understand why Mr. Plattner's declaration does not describe the call with Mr. Junge.

Mr. Junge's declaration also lacks sufficient detail. First, there is insufficient information about where Mr. Junge's personnel looked for the missing documents, when, the efforts they went to, and the conclusions they reached about whether the documents existed, were lost, or were destroyed. Oracle needs to know the extent of the search, its timing, and its conclusions. Second, there is no date provided for the phone call between Mr. Junge, Mr. Lanier, and Mr. Plattner. Third, Mr. Junge describes Mr. Plattner as confirming that "he does not have a copy of any preacquisition presentation to the Supervisory Board related to the acquisition of TomorrowNow by SAP." First, this is hearsay; second, Oracle is concerned with two missing documents, the one-

1	page TomorrowNow presentation and the meeting minutes. It appears from Mr. Junge's	
2	declaration that Mr. Plattner was not asked if he has a copy of the minutes. Perhaps more	
3	importantly, there is no indication that Mr. Junge, or anyone else, has asked the other Supervisory	
4	Board members (or Executive Board members, who may have presented or otherwise attended)	
5	about these missing documents. This step seems simple and should have been undertaken.	
6	Finally, although Mr. Junge states that he acts as secretary at the meetings of the Supervisory	
7	Board, there is no statement that he attended all the meetings in the relevant timeframe (before or	
8	after the TomorrowNow acquisition), so his statement that he does not recall any such	
9	presentation before the acquisition lacks foundation. And since Mr. Plattner's declaration states	
10	that he cannot recall the precise date of the Supervisory Board meeting in any event, it is unclear	
11	whether Mr. Junge recalls any such presentation after the TomorrowNow acquisition – since his	
12	declaration states only that he does not recall any presentation before it.	
13	Ms. Perry's declaration cannot resolve the issues with the others, as she states only that	
14	she was provided with what she was informed as a complete set of SAP AG Supervisory Board	
15	meeting minutes and related presentations. Ms. Perry has no personal knowledge as to whether	
16	she was in fact provided with a complete set. And, based on Mr. Plattner's testimony, it appears	

ers, as she states only that AP AG Supervisory Board knowledge as to whether tner's testimony, it appears that she was not, because a set of minutes and an accompanying document – documents that appear to be the most directly relevant to Oracle's claims – are missing.

Finally, none of the declarations explains how these documents went missing or could have been misplaced or destroyed, as Oracle requested. The discrepancy remains unresolved: Mr. Plattner, who is the only declarant established to have been at the meeting, believes they exist, but Defendants have not explained what has happened to them.

In light of these deficiencies, and given how much time Defendants have already taken to investigate this issue, Oracle requests supplemental declarations providing the necessary detail by November 23. Oracle also reserves the right to seek spoliation sanctions, including for an adverse inference at trial.

## Defendants' Position:

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Defendants believe that the declarations they have produced on this issue are consistent with the Court's previous direction on this issue. If the Court, after reviewing the declarations Defendants have provided, believes otherwise, then Defendants will be prepared to further discuss this issue at the Discovery Conference.

# 10. <u>Mutual Issue: Expanded Discovery on New Claims in the Fourth Amended Complaint</u>

The Parties continue to meet and confer on an agreement that will slightly expand discovery related to new claims that were asserted in the Fourth Amended Complaint. Oracle filed its amended initial disclosures on October 9, which Defendants had indicated were necessary for them to be able to suggest the kinds of database-related damages documents Oracle should produce. On October 30, Defendants responded with a revised proposal, to which Oracle responded that same day. The Parties hope to have this agreement resolved by the time of the November 17 Discovery Conference, but if not, they will seek the Court's assistance.

# 11. Oracle's Issue: Status of Seth Ravin's Deposition

*Oracle's Position:* As the Court may recall from past Discovery Conferences, in February 2009, Oracle served Seth Ravin, co-shareholder of TomorrowNow and founder of Rimini Street, with a subpoena issued by the District of Nevada commanding him to appear for deposition on March 17, 2009. After this Court ordered the deposition to proceed, it took place in California on May 21, 2009, but Mr. Ravin refused to answer questions regarding the similarities between Rimini's and TomorrowNow's support services.

On May 18, 2009, Oracle served Rimini Street with a subpoena issued from the District of Nevada containing three document requests. After meeting and conferring, Oracle filed a motion to compel Ravin to answer deposition questions, and Rimini Street to produce documents. Magistrate Judge Foley of the District of Nevada held a hearing and, on October 13, partially granted Oracle's motion, requiring Ravin to appear for 1 hour of deposition from each side (and, in certain circumstances, to produce documents). *See* October 13 Order, attached as Exhibit O. On October 14, Oracle contacted Ravin and Rimini's counsel to request available dates for

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1 Ravin's deposition. In response, Ravin and Rimini's counsel stated that Oracle's request was 2 premature because they would be filing objections to Judge Foley's order, which they did on 3 October 27. Oracle's response is due November 10. 4 In their objections, Ravin and Rimini request the District of Nevada deny Oracle's motion 5 and allow Rimini to "properly raise this issue with the California court by means of a motion for a 6 protective order," even though the parties agreed to have the District of Nevada hear this dispute. 7 Oracle raises these issues now to keep this Court informed on the status of this dispute. 8 **Defendants' Position:** Oracle's statement on this issue is in the nature of a procedural 9 status report and neither seeks nor requires a substantive response from Defendants at this time. 10 Defendants filed a response in the Nevada proceeding and continue to reserve all of their rights 11 on this issue in both that proceeding and in this Court if and when any issues from the Nevada 12 proceeding are directly or indirectly brought into this proceeding. 13 DATED: November 10, 2009 14 BINGHAM McCUTCHEN LLP 15 16 /s/By: 17 Bree Hann Attorneys for Plaintiffs 18 Oracle USA, Inc., Oracle International Corporation, Oracle EMEA Limited, and 19 Siebel Systems, Inc. 20 In accordance with General Order No. 45, Rule X, the above signatory attests that 21 concurrence in the filing of this document has been obtained from the signatory below. 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

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